

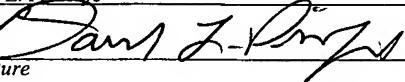


Attorney Docket No.: 031529.00106

IFW
I hereby Certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 223123-1450 on December 26, 2007

David L. Principe

Name



Signature

December 26, 2007

Date of Signature

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 3651
Examiner: Mark A. Deuble

In re application of	:	Guldenfels et al.
Serial No.	:	10/567,634
Filing Date	:	February 8, 2006
Title	:	Device for Retaining a Headed Pivot Rod

AMENDMENT & RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.111, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.